



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS  
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON INSURANCE  
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012**

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**Thursday, August 8, 2013**

**10:00 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-3798)

**Attachments:** [AUDIO](#)

**Present:** Chairman Scott Svonkin, Vice Chair Eric Bauman, Commissioner Bob Blake, Commissioner Daniel Falcon, Commissioner Helene Lohr, Commissioner Luther Nash and Commissioner Steve Vicencia

**Excused:** Commissioner Barry Binder, Commissioner Kathy Crooymans and Commissioner Patricia Torres

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Call to Order. (13-3637)

**The meeting was called to order by Chairman Svonkin at 10:13 a.m.**

2. Approval of the June 28, 2013 meeting minutes. (13-3638)

**On motion of Commissioner Lohr, seconded by Commissioner Nash, this item was approved.**

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

**II. REPORTS**

3. Chairman's Report. (13-3639)

**Chairman Svonkin reported that Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Mark Ridley Thomas, Second Supervisorial District, will not be participating in this year's Fire Preparedness Press Conference. However, the California State Insurance Commissioner, Dave Jones and Los Angeles County Fire Department have agreed to participate; the date, time and location for the press conference are yet to be determined.**

**Chair Svonkin asked Staff to provide Commissioners with their biographies and last year's Tip Sheet to allow Commissioners an opportunity to suggest revisions and submit updates. Commissioners discussed and offered minor revisions to the Tip Sheet.**

**Chair Svonkin reported that the sunset review extension for the Commission has been approved.**

- 4. Discussion on the 2013 Fire Preparedness Press Conference. (13-3640)**  
**This item was discussed under Agenda Item No. 3.**

- 5. Discussion on a Resolution to Fraud. (13-3641)**

**Commissioner Lohr presented a draft Board Motion on Insurance Fraud Awareness drafted by Fourth District Supervisor, Don Knabe and his Deputy, Nick Ippolito, for the Commission's approval.**

**Vice Chair Bauman provided a revised version of the Board Motion that is consistent with their goals.**

**Chair Svonkin asked staff to invite a representative from each of the following County entities to the next meeting to collaborate in the awareness campaign; Consumer Affairs Advisory Commission, Sheriff's Department, District Attorney's Office and the State of California Department of Insurance.**

**Vice Chair Bauman suggested that the Commission form a Consumer Protection Coalition with departments that prosecute fraudulent insurance claims and suggested inviting reporters who track fraud to the next meeting to help with marketing.**

**Commissioner Falcon suggested the Commission meet prior to inviting representatives.**

**Chair Svonkin made a motion to further amend the draft Board Motion as submitted by Commissioner Lohr and revised by Vice Chair Bauman as follows:**

- **Board of Supervisors to support the fight against Insurance Fraud;**

- **Proclaim March 2014 as Insurance Fraud Awareness Month;**
- **Insurance Commission to develop an outreach and awareness plan in collaboration with the following County entities; District Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Department, and the California Department of Insurance Consumer and Education Bureau; and**
- **Submit an awareness plan to the Board in 60 days.**

**On motion of Commissioner Falcon, seconded by Commissioner Blake, the Draft Board Motion submitted by Commissioner Lohr as amended by Vice Chair Bauman and Chairman Svonkin was approved.**

**After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Falcon, seconded by Commissioner Vicencia, the aforementioned Draft Board Motion was reconsidered.**

**Discussion on the Insurance Fraud Awareness plan and timeframe ensued.**

**Vice Chair Bauman offered the following revisions:**

- **Proclaim May 2014 as Insurance Fraud Awareness Month**
- **Adopt a plan for implementation by December 2013**
- **Present plan to Board of Supervisors by February 2014**

**After further discussion, on motion of Commissioner Falcon, seconded by Commissioner Bauman, the Commission approved the Draft Board Motion as submitted by Commissioner Lohr and amended by Chair Svonkin and Vice Chair Bauman for submission to Supervisor Knabe without any further approval of the Commission.**

### **III. MISCELLANEOUS**

6. **Matters not on posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-3642)**

**There were no matters discussed.**

7. **Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-3643)**

**No members of the public addressed the Commission.**

8. **Adjournment for the meeting of August 8, 2013. (13-3644)**

**The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Svonkin at 11:17 a.m.**